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November 13, 2002

Ms. Rosemary Smith Acting Associate General Counsel Federal Election Commission Office of the General Counsel 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20463

> Re: Withdrawal of AOR 2002-13

Dear Ms. Smith:

The Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee ("DSCC"), the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee ("DCCC"), the National Republican Senatorial Committee ("NRSC"), and the National Republican Congressional Committee ("NRCC") (collectively, "Party Committees") respectfully request that the Party Committees' request for an advisory opinion regarding the raising and spending of funds in support of a recount of the results of the federal elections on November 5, 2002, AOR 2002-13, be withdrawn.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please do not hesitate to contact any of the undersigned should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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